

## 7th. GRADE SHORT STORY TEST

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### EDGAR ALLEN POE

1. Poe is the father of the Detective story.
2. Name two reasons he had an unhappy life.
  1. <sup>Adopted</sup> ~~step~~ parents
  2. military school
3. What did Poe win in his writing career?  
short story competitions
4. What was the name of Poe's detective? Dupin
5. What tone do many of Poe's stories have? evil, scary,
6. Poe's "The Cask of Amontillado" dealt with what theme? Explain.  
Revenge  
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7. Poe's 1st. black cat represented evil + the came back  
as the second cat
8. In "The Purloined Letter", what did Dupin understand that the Prefect didn't?  
think like the criminal  
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9. In "The Fall of the House of Usher," what does the house and the crack represent?

the Usher family + their problems

10. In "The Purloined Letter", what was the Prefect priding himself in?

a thorough search

11. Sherlock Holmes was Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's detective who was patterned after Poe's Dupin.

12. In "The Fall of the House of Usher", what destroyed Roderick's ability to reason?

fear

13. In many of Poe's stories, the narrator is crazy unstable.

14. In "The Black Cat", the narrator covered his crime until he became overly confident

15. In "The Cask of Amontillado", why did Montressor want to do away with Fortunato?

he insulted him

16. O. Henry wrote approximately how many short stories? 300

17. O. Henry's real name was William Sydney Porter.

18. Name 2 jobs he held which are used in his stories. bank teller, druggist

19. O. Henry is famous for ironic endings.

20. O. Henry was imprisoned for stealing \$1,000.

21. What did Jimmy Wells really value in "After Twenty Years"?

his job + personal values

22. State a theme for "The Gift and Magi," love conquers all
23. Why did Soapy want prison over a charitable institution?  
he wouldn't have to look for a job
24. What were 2 ironies in "The Ransom of Red Chief"?  
the kid controlled the kidnappers  
pay the father to take him back
25. Name two ways in which Soapy tempted the police to arrest him?  
flirted w/ a woman, didn't pay restaurant bill  
took an umbrella, acted drunk threw a rock through a window
26. climax is when the action reaches it's highest point; the main character succeeds or fails.
27. foreshadow is a sneak preview of what will happen.  
dramatic
28. ironic is when the reader knows the unexpected but not the characters.
29. symbol is an image, object or action that stands for something else.
30. protagonist is the central character of the story.
31. antagonist is the character that usually brings about the conflict.
32. theme is the message the author intends to convey.
33. tone is the the author's attitude toward the story.
34. exp resolution is the conclusion on a plotline.
35. exposition is the introduction on the plotline.